

# Orgun-e's first girls school opens

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**ORGUN-E**, Afghanistan — A crowd of honored guests, leaders and students gathered for a school opening ceremony recently.

The Orgun-e Girls School is the first in Orgun-e, said 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. Dave Gill, C Co., 412<sup>th</sup> Civil Affairs Battalion, Columbus, Ohio.

Even though the school's title may imply it is an all-girls school, it merely means that females are allowed to attend, said Gill.

Costing approximately \$62,000 to complete, the school will provide about 100 boys and 75 girls a place to learn.

Members of the 412th CA Battalion, military police, psychological operations and the Operational Detachment-A Team



Courtesy photo

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Afghan girls gather around during the Orgun-e Girls School opening ceremony recently.

## Carpentry Shop supports Bagram's building needs



Fred Sealy, Kellogg, Brown and Root carpenter, builds an air conditioner stand. The carpentry shop builds at least 20 stands daily.

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**BAGRAM**, Afghanistan — Most carpentry seen on base is done by Afghans, but there are other carpenters not seen as often who support the base just as much.

There are five Kellogg, Brown and Root carpenters and a supervisor who work in the carpentry shop here with four Afghans the carpenters have trained to assist them.

"(The Afghans) help out a lot and make our job a little easier," said Robert Aguilar, Brown and Root carpenter. "At first I was worried they wouldn't learn it – they'd never used a hammer or a power tool, but they picked it up."

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## World News (Compiled from CNN.com)



U.S. troops approach a car in which the driver was killed in Baghdad on Tuesday.

#### Bush vows to finish job in Iraq

**CNN**—With attacks on American forces mounting in Iraq, President Bush vowed Tuesday that the United States is committed to establishing a democracy in the country, saying "there will be no return to tyranny in Iraq."

Bush accused "scattered groups" of Saddam Hussein loyalists, terrorists and foreign fighters of attacking coalition forces and trying to intimidate Iraqi civilians.

The groups also have destroyed power lines and electrical towers, set off explosions at gas pipelines and ignited sulfur fires, Bush said.

# Israel might consider 'one-way trip' for Arafat

**JERUSALEM** — Israel would consider any request from Palestinian President Yasser Arafat to move to Gaza, Israeli officials said Tuesday.

But if Arafat were allowed to leave the West Bank, "it would most likely be a one-way trip," an official said.

Israeli troops have isolated Arafat for months at his compound in Ramallah.

A lifting of the siege and free movement for Arafat were among the demands by the militant groups Hamas and Islamic Jihad and Arafat's Fatah movement when they declared a cease-fire against Israeli targets Sunday.

# Search yields no sign of missing college athlete

**WACO**, Texas — Investigators found no sign of missing Baylor University basketball player Patrick Dennehy in a 50-acre field where a Delaware police informant said he

was shot last month, a police spokesman said Tuesday.

Dennehy, 21, was last seen on or about June 12. His SUV was found last week in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

"We have searched the location that we were given as to where he may be, but came up with nothing," Waco police spokesman Steve Anderson said.

# U.S. wants superfast drone for global strikes

**BRUSSELS**, Belgium — The Pentagon is planning to build a hypersonic unmanned drone which could strike targets anywhere on earth from the continental United States in under two hours, according to a Department of Defense Web site.

Part of a drive for "prompt global reach capability" which has been spurred by concern about threats from failed states and terrorism, the drone would be able to take off from a conventional runway with a 12,000-lb payload.

"This capability would free the U.S. military from reliance on forward basing to enable it to react promptly and decisively to destabilizing or threatening actions by hostile countries and terrorist organizations," said the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency.

### Blix retires as WMD inspector

**LONDON** — The man responsible for finding Iraq's weapons of mass destruction in the run-up to war has retired.

Hans Blix stood down this week as head of the of the U.N.'s Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission after three years.

During that time he found himself in the diplomatic crossfire between those who insisted Saddam Hussein still had WMD and the Iraqi regime which denied it did.

# Forecasters: Bill won't rain on Fourth parades

**CNN** — The former tropical storm that continues to bring rain to the South and is aiming its sights on New England will not cause major problems for the Independence

Day weekend, forecasters said Tuesday.

The storm known as Bill, which is now a tropical depression, was moving steadily northeast Tuesday afternoon at 16 mph, leaving flash flooding and power outages behind in several southeastern states, said Douglas Hilderbrand, a meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Camp Springs, Maryland.

He predicted the storm would continue heading toward the Atlantic Ocean, then hit the New England coast by late Thursday and early Friday, though it's not expected to have much punch left by then.

#### Warlord urged to surrender

**SYDNEY**, Australia — New Zealand and Australia have warned Solomon Islands warlord Harold Keke to surrender or they will send troops to hunt him out.

The warning follows the endorsement Monday by the 16-nation Pacific Islands Forum of a plan to send a multinational peacekeeping force to the Solomons to restore law and order.

Keke is thought to be holed up in the remote Weather Coast region of the Solomon Islands where he is allegedly responsible for up to 50 deaths since emerging three years ago as an ethnic warlord.

## Appeals court orders Ten Commandments monument removed

ATLANTA — A federal appeals court ruled Tuesday that a Ten Commandments monument the size of a washing machine must be removed from the Alabama Supreme Court building.

The 11<sup>th</sup> U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals unanimously affirmed a ruling by a federal judge who said that the 2 1/2-ton granite monument, placed there by Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore, violates the constitutional separation of church and state.

"If we adopted his position, the chief justice would be free to adorn the walls of the Alabama Supreme Court's courtroom with sectarian religious murals and have decidedly religious quotations painted above the bench," the three-judge panel said.

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brought school materials with them for the students when the school opened.

Seventy-five bags full of book bags, toys, pencils and pens were donated.

The donation project was started by the Army Reserve 403<sup>rd</sup> CA Battalion, Syracuse, N.Y., said Gill.

The ceremony included speeches delivered by about 10 people.

"One day the students of this school will be teachers, doctors and engineers," said Orgun-e Mayor, Mohammad Ghaus.

"We appreciate the U.S. people, especially the CA team that is here today. We are grateful for their gifts of school supplies and helping build schools such as Shekha School, Ghooch School and the Girls School of (Orgun-e).

"We hear the news on the radio that George W. Bush said his forces will pay attention to the reconstruction of Afghanistan and no more fighting is necessary," said master of ceremonies and teacher, Adam Khan delivering his speech to the crowd.

Elders of the village also delivered small speeches during the ceremony.

"(Orgun-e) is one of the backward districts in the Paktika Province. We've had a lot of problems in this district the last 25 years, especially the lack of education. Today is a happy day for us because we are having a ceremony for the opening of a girls school in (Orgun-e).

"We request from the U.S. to build



Courtesy photo

Army Reservist, 1st Sgt. Dave Gill, C Company, 412th Civil Affairs, Columbus, Ohio, delivers his speech to dignitaries and guests at the opening of the Orgun-e Girls School recently.

more schools so we can have more opening ceremonies in the future, Haji Rashed.

"I want to offer my respect and appreciation to the civil affairs soldiers. Since last year until now they have helped us with school supplies and building schools.

"And we want their help in the future to assist us with education in order to build more schools and to bring more school supplies. I want for the elders to cooperate with us in order to keep peace and security in the area and to give time for the kids to come to the schools and learn something. Thank you," said Orgun-e Minister of Education, Muhammad Aziz.

Other dignitaries, who gave a speech during the ceremony, included an Afghan legal representative, a police officer and the Chief Commander of Border Guards, Gen. Zakem Khan.

The ceremony concluded with a prayer and a generous meal of goat, watermelon and bread, said Gill.

### Renovations ready repast...

Freddie Sanders, cook, Kellogg, Brown and Root, prepares for Tuesday evening's meal by preparing meat in the new Dragon city Dining Facility Kitchen. Even though the kitchen and DFAC are still under renovations, the cooks said the kitchen is already much nicer with more space, equipment and resources to produce better quality meals. "A cook takes pride in his work and what he does," said some of the Brown and Root chefs. "The better our facility is the higher our morale is and the more we want to do our job." (Photo by Pfc. Christina Carde.)



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The shop's main function is to support the installation of air conditioning units by building stands. More than 20 stands are built and put in daily.

The shop's second mission is assisting in any maintenance work that needs to be done including building decks and stairs, repairing doors, building platforms, office spaces and weapons racks.

For the shop to do any maintenance, a service order must be submitted.

According to Aguilar, the shop completes approximately 30 projects a week and gets at least five work orders a day. The carpenters work 12 hour days all week.

The shop sees a lot of projects, but the major projects are building offices into CONEXs, similar to the Gift Shop.

According to Aguilar, the most difficult part of the job is waiting for materials to come in, but to him it's worth it to be here for the soldiers.

"I'm glad to be here to support the troops any way I can."

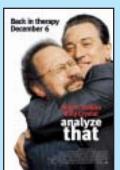


Donald Lehde, Kellogg, Brown and Root carpenter, builds windows for B huts at the carpentry shop. The shop completes approximately 30 projects a week.

# Bagram Air Base MWR presents

1530Z at the MWR building: "Analyze That." Mobster Paul Vitti is released into Dr. Ben Sobol's care, where only more chaos ensues.

Tomorrow's movie will be "Kangaroo Jack."



## Local weather

#### TWO-DAY REGIONAL WEATHER FORECAST:

	Today	Thursday
Bagram:	<i>Mostly clear</i> H: 93F L: 64F	<i>Haze</i> H: 93F L: 68F
Kandahar:	<i>Clear</i> H: 109F L: 73F	<i>Haze</i> H: 108F L: 73F
Kabul:	Dust H: 93F L: 63F	<i>Haze</i> H: 91F L: 66F
Uzbekistan:	Partly cloudy H: 104F L: 63F	<i>Sunny</i> H: 105F L: 64F

Weather forecast courtesy of the Bagram Combat Weather Team

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# Coalition Sports Zone

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### Cardinals next in realignment derby

**ESPN** — Breathe easy, Atlantic Coast Conference fans. At least your league's lead role in this torturous game of Realignment Twister is winding down.

(That is, pending announcement of the Hogwarts Fighting Wizards as the 12<sup>th</sup> ACC school, in a contentious vote, over the University of Mars. Duke, of course, leads the resistance to inclusion of the Little Green Men. Travel costs, the Dookies say.)

For schools like Louisville, the draining and dizzying daily



Louisville athletic director Tom Jurich (left) courted Rick Pitino; now his school may be courted.

drama of waiting for the first conference dominoes to fall was merely prelude. Now that Miami and Virginia Tech have officially forsaken the Big East, the Cardinals are on the clock. They're the popular choice to be the next selection in the conference free-agent draft.

Driven by the big-picture vision of athletic director Tom Jurich, Louisville has aggressively positioned itself for this very opportunity to step up a level in athletic class. The Conference USA Cardinals spend more money on varsity sports than any other non-BCS school (\$32 million last year); they play in a sparkling six-year-old football stadium; they hired future Hall of Fame basketball coach Rick Pitino to succeed current Hall of Famer Denny Crum; they were No. 3 nationally in basketball attendance last year, trailing only Syracuse and No. 1 neighbor Kentucky; and they've steadily diminished image-tarnishing problems with gender equity, academic performance and NCAA compliance.

So with a bolstered resume, Louisville awaits a wink, a nod, a nudge — some kind of signal — from some other league. And C-USA continues its tepid efforts to protect its flanks.

### Neuheisel to make final appeal Monday

**SEATTLE** — Rejecting Rick Neuheisel's plea to keep his job as Washington's football coach, athletic director Barbara Hedges said Tuesday she was terminating him because he gambled on the past two NCAA men's basketball tournaments.

Neuheisel's lawyer, Bob Sulkin, said his client would appeal to university vice president Norm Arkans. Neuheisel, 42, has until Monday to make that final plea to the university.

A hearing would then be scheduled. On June 12, Hedges announced that Neuheisel would be fired for taking part in neighbor-

hood gambling pools on the two tournaments. She also said he wasn't forthcoming when first questioned by NCAA investigators.

Neuheisel's lawyers dispute both allegations.

"Rick Neuheisel is going to fight this because to him it's a question of right and wrong," Sulkin said.

Should the appeal to Arkans fail, Sulkin said his client would go to court.

### Mets to eat \$3.75M as part of deal

**NEW YORK** — Roberto Alomar's disappointing stay with the New York Mets ended Tuesday when the 12-time All-Star second baseman was traded to the Chicago White Sox for three minor league prospects.

In exchange for Alomar, the Mets received pitchers Royce Ring and Edwin Almonte and infielder Andrew Salvo.

The trade marks the beginning of a long-expected makeover of the Mets. The team is in last place for the second straight season despite having a \$116.9 million payroll on opening day, the second highest in baseball.

Alomar was at the center of much of the failure.

"Sometimes, it doesn't work for you," he said. "Sometimes, you play good in some places and other places you don't play up to your potential. I'm really sad I have to leave New York on these terms, but I have to move on and go to a place where I have a chance to win."

### Sather to stay on as Rangers coach

**ESPN** — Rangers general manager Glen Sather found his coach on Tuesday — in the mirror.

Sather, who fired Bryan Trottier in January and named himself as coach for the rest of the season, announced Tuesday that he intends to stay on as head coach for the 2003-04 season.

"I went through the process of talking to people about the job and when the process was finished I decided that maybe the person that already had the job was maybe the best person for the job," he said Tuesday. "So I decided to keep it."

Last week, Larry Robinson decided not to leave the Stanley Cup champion New Jersey Devils' organization and pulled himself out of consideration for the Rangers' job. Sather declined to identify any other coaching candidates.

After taking over 54 games into last season, Sather said his languishing team would reach the postseason after a five-year absence, but the Rangers mustered only an 11-10-4-3 mark the rest of the way and didn't qualify for the playoffs.

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### Venus to play Clijsters in semifinals

WIMBLEDON, England — Serena Williams smacked one last volley to complete a quarterfinal comeback at Wimbledon, then let out a shriek and raised her arms. She still gets a kick out of beating Jennifer Capriati.

Williams overcame an erratic start Tuesday to defeat Capriati for the eighth consecutive time, winning 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.

The defending champion will next face Justine Henin-Hardenne, an upset winner in their French Open semifinal four weeks ago.

"I have no nerves, I've been in this position so many times," Williams said.

Henin-Hardenne, seeded third, beat No. 33 Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-2, 6-2.

Williams joined her older sister in the semifinals. Venus Williams, the Wimbledon champion in 2000 and 2001, won the final five games and the last 11 points to beat No. 5 Lindsay Davenport 6-2, 2-6, 6-1.

While the Williams sisters advanced in singles, they were eliminated in the third round of doubles by Russians Elena Dementieva and Lina Krasnoroutskaya, 6-3, 3-6, 7-5.

Davenport, the 1999 champion, said the match may have been her last at Wimbledon. Newly married and hampered by injuries in recent years, Davenport said she plans to play the U.S. Open but may be nearing retirement.

"There are absolutely no plans made," said Davenport, 27. "It's not saying that it's over. It's just saying that I'm not sure."

Venus Williams, like her sister, will play a Belgian in the semifinals — No. 2 Kim Clijsters, who was stung by a bee but rallied past No. 27 Silvia Farina Elia 5-7, 6-0, 6-1.

### Club testing won't be mandatory

**LEMONT**, Ill. — Hoping to remove suspicions about cheating golfers, the PGA Tour will begin using a test in January that determines whether clubs are legal.

But in keeping with the game's age-old tradition of integrity, the test won't be mandatory, with players expected to police themselves.

"A player who has the opportunity to make sure his equipment is conforming, by and large, will take advantage of it," commissioner Tim Finchem said Tuesday. "Players will all have the comfort level of knowing their equipment is conforming.

"This is nothing new, it's just taking the mystery out of the equation," Finchem added. "The rumors are running rampant right now, and we need to get the rumors out of the game. The only way to do it is to be able to verify. This is a system that allows us to verify without having to take the clubhead apart."

### BoSox bullpen has new closer

ST. PETERSBURG. Fla. — The Boston Red Sox will now have one closer.

Red Sox manager Grady Little said Tuesday that Byung-Hyun Kim will be moved from the rotation into the closer's role.

"We feel like this move will give us a better chance to win," Little said before Boston played at Tampa Bay. "He wants to win. He wants to do whatever the ballclub asks. By making this move, we feel like we've got some depth."

Entering play Tuesday, Boston's bullpen by committee had converted 17 of 28 save opportunities.

Kim was acquired by Boston from Arizona on May 29 for All-Star third baseman Shea Hillenbrand. The right-hander wants to be a starter, which is something Little said Kim will be one day for the Red Sox.

### **Bulls want Pippen to return**

**CHICAGO** — Chicago Bulls general manager John Paxson wants Scottie Pippen to finish his NBA career where it started.

Paxson said Tuesday he intends to contact Pippen in the next few days to see whether the former All-Star has any interest in returning to Chicago, where he won six NBA championships.

"I think he deserves to end his career here," said Paxson, a teammate to Pippen during their run in the 1990s. "I do think there is a place for him here if he does want to come."

The 37-year-old Pippen is an unrestricted free agent the Bulls covet both as a defensive-minded small forward, and mentor to their crop of talented young players such as Eddy Curry and Tyson Chandler.

The Bulls probably can afford Pippen. They have a midlevel exception of about \$4.9 million that can be spent on one player or split among several. They also are expected to have an injury exception for Jay Williams of about \$1.8 million.

"I would love to add a veteran at small forward, but that might not be able to happen," Paxson said. "I don't know where he stands."

### "Uh, sarge, I thought this was the light infantry?"



By Kevin Kilgore

Laugh Support